

THE COURIER.

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Secretary Teller has re-affirmed his previous decision to the effect that a contestant to a timber-culture must file his application at the date of contest to obtain status of the contest.

According to General Grant the American broadcloth manufacturers have about as much interest in the opening of Mexican trade as Colonel Sellers had in the Asiatic market for his eye-water. "There's millions in it."

Bismarck Herald: The Northern Pacific company has become disgusted with its hotel business, and has decided to have no more of it. For the accommodation of passengers eight new dining cars have been ordered, so that no inconvenience will be experienced by reason of any scarcity of hotels along the line.

Query—Will the projective county of Steele be stolen from Traill and Griggs? Poor, forlorn Hope has a morbid desire to become a county seat, and since she was so ignominiously beaten for the county seat of Griggs last fall, the syndicate proposes to pay a few political jobbers like Colonel Towner to carve out a county by butchering Traill and Griggs, and hereby give them another "hope." The fruit of their aspirations, however, will be a blighted Hope.—Portland Inter-Ocean.

The Courier's Courage.

Which way will you jump? I'm keeping my eye on the cat, says Pat. I'll jump for the rat with the cat. Cats were made to jump for rats, and it's the rat I'll have if I jump with the cat. Which way will you plant your feet in the popular theme of the day? I'm keeping my eye on public opinion; if she jumps to the right, I'll pass to the right; if she jumps to the left, I'll pass to the left. Popular public opinion was the making of a fellow from my town. He struck the tide just in time, and rode the wave to congress. It's a fool I am if I don't ride with the tide. When I see the tide then I'll ride. The Courier is not second cousin to Pat, nor this fellow who is keeping his eye on the coming tide. Before he has time to get out and breathe of the elements about him, he lifts a clear, well-defined, bold and decisive cry for temperance and prohibition, and leads in the order—forward, march! Some one has said, "circumstances make the man." The Courier proposes to make circumstances, and to make a manly lead in public sentiment—then wheel in line and declare ourselves ready to grapple the goose, untie the tongue, grip the gum, wield our weapons and battle the beast with our courageous COURIER and steady Stair. Our declaration of purpose we push with our pen to the very first front this morning, and to it we pledge our steady, persistent efforts:

WHEREAS, The liquor traffic thrives only on poverty, degradation and misery of men and women and little children, we pledge ourselves to resist the beastly business. As it causes 90 per cent of all crime, we will concentrate to cripple and crush it. As it draws out of the national resources \$750,000,000 annually to support its paupers and prosecute the crimes committed by drunken men, we will move for the suppression of this woeful waste. As it causes 75 per cent of all pauperism of our land, we will use every effort to drive the dram seller from our fair land. As the liquor traffic maintains a standing army of 700,000 common drunkards in America, we will mass our forces to kill the king. As it transforms 60,000 sober, useful citizens annually into burdens and curses to society, we will do all we can to curse and burden the business. As it sends each year 60,000 men to drunkards graves, we pledge our work to dig as many graves for the deadly demons. As it orphan's 200,000,000 children annually, we pledge our efforts to obliterate the orphan-maker. As it breaks the hearts and blights the lives of hundreds of thousands of mothers and fair women of our land, we give ourselves to break the hands of this business and blight the traffic with a curse deeper and darker than that which has brought might and death to the thousands of the fair and manly and beautiful of earth. In this pledge to-day all voice the purpose of the children of men who have gathered in this fair corner of God's earth, and send it on through the columns of the COURIER to mingle with the other voices which are writing in one great cry to the God of heaven to stay this deep, dark tide of human woe. Already we have answer back from Him who hears the orphan's cry and the united petition—"As surely as I live, saith the Lord, all the earth shall be filled with the knowledge of the glory of the Lord, as the waters cover the sea." We bid you good morning.
Yours,
QUILL.

Northern Pacific officials are quite happy over the fact that notwithstanding the blizzard weather of the past few weeks there was not a whole day of detention for any of their trains. Eastern people frequently imagine that because of snow storms in the Northwest and west, the winters are severe, yet in the case of the Northern Pacific, trains have run all the time, in the severest weather, were never more than seven hours late in a thousand-mile trip, yet in more southern latitudes, popularly supposed to be free from storms, roads have been blocked for days, notably in Iowa and Nebraska. The Northern Pacific has a fine winter record this season, and the trains have been most excellently managed by the operating department.—Pioneer Press.

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NOTICE OF FINAL PROOF.—Land office at Fargo, D. T., February 12, 1883.—Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim and secure final entry thereon on the 10th day of April, 1883, viz: Samuel B. Langford, D. S. No. — for the n e ¼ of section 6, township 145 n. r. 58 w., and names the following as his witnesses, viz: J. N. Brown, R. C. Cooper, George W. Barnard, James Rankin, all of Cooperstown, Griggs county, D. T. The testimony of claimant and witnesses to be taken before John N. Jorgensen, Clerk of the District Court at Cooperstown, Griggs county, D. T., on the 15th day of April, A. D. 1883 at his office. HORACE AUSTIN, Register. ANDRUS & JORGENSEN, Attorneys.

NOTICE OF FINAL PROOF.—Land office at Fargo, D. T., January 18, 1883.—Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim and secure final entry thereon on the 23d day of March, 1883, viz: Charles C. Platt, H. E. No. 9690 for the n e ¼ of sec. 12, township 145 n., range 58 w., and names the following as his witnesses, viz: Andrew Park, S. Park, Charles Frost, Lewis Rind, all of Mardell, Griggs county, D. T. The testimony to be taken before John N. Jorgensen, Clerk of District Court at Cooperstown, Griggs county, D. T., on the 15th day of March, A. D. 1883 at his office. HORACE AUSTIN, Register.

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